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## *Pell Grants At Risk: The Impact on Upstate New York College Students*

According to the American Council on Education, 89,000 students are expected to completely lose their Pell Grants as a result of calculation changes announced by the Administration in December. An additional 1.3 million students are expected to see their grants reduced. US Senator Charles E. Schumer today introduced new legislation to ensure that no student loses or has his or her aid cut as a result of these calculation changes and released the following report to illustrate the impact of these changes on students at local colleges and universities in upstate New York.

Schumer's office used New York State Education Department financial aid data from the 2002-2003 school year to estimate the impact of these changes on local colleges and universities in every region of upstate New York and found that statewide more than 6,500 students could lose their Pell Grants completely and an additional 95,000 students could see a reduction in their aid.

**The following are school-by-school estimates of the impact of these changes on federal Pell Grants provided to upstate New York college students:**

**Capital Region:** An estimated **4,240 students** at the following colleges and universities in the Capital Region stand to lose some or all of their Federal Pell Grants.

College/University	Students Who Could Lose Pell Grants	Students Who Could See Their Pell Grants Reduced	Total Number of Students Impacted
Fulton-Montgomery Community College	20	250	270
Adirondack Community College	20	330	350
SUNY At Albany	70	1080	1150
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	20	290	310
Siena College	10	170	180
Union College	10	90	100

Skidmore College	10	100	110
The College Of Saint Rose	20	230	250
Schenectady County Community College	30	440	470
Hudson Valley Community College	50	800	850
The Sage Colleges	10	180	190
<b>Capital Region</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>3970</b>	<b>4240</b>

**Central New York:** An estimated **4,235 students** at the following colleges and universities in Central New York stand to lose some or all of their Federal Pell Grants.

College/University	Students Losing Pell Grants	Students Having Pell Grants Reduced	Total Number Of Students Impacted
Cazenovia College	10	110	120
Le Moyne College	20	230	250
Mohawk Valley Community College	50	720	770
Onondaga Community College	50	790	840
Colgate University	10	90	100
SUNY College At Cortland	30	480	510
SUNY College At Oswego	50	770	820
Syracuse University	50	710	760
Wells College	5	60	65
<b>Central New York Total</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>3960</b>	<b>4235</b>

**Hudson Valley:** An estimated **9,180 students** at the following colleges and universities in the Hudson Valley—including **4605 at Westchester Schools**- stand to lose some or all of their Federal Pell Grants.

College/University	Students Losing Pell Grants	Students Having Pell Grants Reduced	Total Number Of Students Impacted
Orange County Community College	20	340	360
Ulster Community College	20	230	250
Sullivan Community College	20	260	280
Dutchess Community College	30	420	450
SUNY New Paltz	40	520	560
Marist College	20	250	270

Rockland Community College	20	330	350
Vassar College	10	90	100
Dominican College Of Blauvelt	10	100	110
Bard College	5	70	75
Mount Saint Mary College	10	170	180
Nyack College	20	300	320
Mercy College	70	1090	1160
Saint Thomas Aquinas College	10	110	120
<b>Hudson Valley Total</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>4280</b>	<b>4575</b>

**Westchester:** An estimated **4,605 students** at **Westchester Schools** stand to lose some or all of their Federal Pell Grants.

College/University	Students Losing Pell Grants	Students Having Pell Grants Reduced	Total Number Of Students Impacted
College Of New Rochelle	100	1,500	1,600
SUNY College At Purchase	20	290	310
Concordia College	5	50	55
Iona College	20	320	340
Manhattanville College	10	110	120
Marymount Manhattan College	10	170	180
Pace University	60	880	940
Sarah Lawrence College	5	40	45
SUNY Westchester Community College	40	630	670
Berkeley College	30	460	490
<b>Westchester Total</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>4,400</b>	<b>4,605</b>

**North Country:** An estimated **2205 students** at the following colleges and universities in the North Country stand to lose some or all of their Federal Pell Grants.

College/University	Students Losing Pell Grants	Students Having Pell Grants Reduced	Total Number Of Students Impacted
Clinton Community College	20	240	260
SUNY Plattsburgh	30	500	530
Jefferson Community College	30	480	510
Hamilton College	5	70	75
St Lawrence University	10	120	130
SUNY Potsdam	30	460	490

Clarkson University	10	200	210
<b>North Country Total</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>2070</b>	<b>2205</b>

**Rochester/Finger Lakes:** An estimated **6000 students** at the following colleges and universities in the Rochester/Finger Lakes area stand to lose some or all of their Federal Pell Grants.

College/University	Students Losing Pell Grants	Students Having Pell Grants Reduced	Total Number Of Students Impacted
Monroe Community College	120	1730	1850
Nazareth College Of Rochester	10	170	180
Roberts Wesleyan College	10	130	140
Rochester Institute Of Technology	60	850	910
Saint John Fisher College	20	230	250
University Of Rochester	20	240	260
Genesee Community College	40	550	570
SUNY College At Brockport	50	690	740
SUNY College At Geneseo	20	330	350
Finger Lakes Community College	30	460	490
Keuka College	10	130	140
Hobart William Smith Colleges	10	110	120
<b>Rochester/Finger Lakes Total</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>5620</b>	<b>6000</b>

**Southern Tier:** An estimated **5740 students** at the following colleges and universities in the Southern Tier area stand to lose some or all of their Federal Pell Grants.

College/University	Students Losing Pell Grants	Students Having Pell Grants Reduced	Total Number Of Students Impacted
Hartwick College	10	120	130
SUNY Delhi- Delaware	20	300	320
Alfred State	30	450	480
Alfred Univeristy	10	210	220
Corning Community College	40	570	610
Cornell University-Endowed Colleges	50	660	710
Ithaca College	20	320	340
Binghamton University	60	930	990

Broome Community College	50	780	830
Elmira College	10	110	120
SUNY College At Oneonta	30	500	530
Tompkins-Cortland Community College	30	420	450
<b>Southern Tier Total</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>5370</b>	<b>5740</b>

**Western New York:** An estimated **6,520 students** at the following colleges and universities in Western New York stand to lose some or all of their Federal Pell Grants.

<b>College/University</b>	<b>Students Losing Pell Grants</b>	<b>Students Having Pell Grants Reduced</b>	<b>Total Number Of Students Impacted</b>
Canisius College	20	270	290
D'Youville College	10	120	1230
Medaille College	10	180	190
Buffalo State College	70	1030	1100
SUNY At Buffalo	110	1550	1650
Trocaire College	10	180	190
Villa Maria College Buffalo	5	70	75
Wells College	5	60	65
Daemen College	10	160	170
Erie Community College	110	1550	1660
Niagara University	10	210	220
Niagara County Community College	40	580	620
Saint Bonaventure University	10	150	160
<b>Western New York Total</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>6110</b>	<b>6520</b>

***Source: Schumer estimates based on data from the New York State Education Department and the American Council on Education.***